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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 748
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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Mr. James Masco
Meadows, Sr. of Lebanon, Tennessee.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the death of Mr. James Masco Meadows, Sr.; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Meadows was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a native of Jackson County, Mr. Meadows was born on February 7, 1929, to the late Marshall John and Nanny Susan Brown Meadows; and

WHEREAS, the time-honored traditions of hard work and integrity were instilled in James Meadows by his parents at an early age; Mr. Meadows' strong belief in these values enabled him to succeed in every professional endeavor; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Meadows began his professional career with Johnson's Dairy in Lebanon; he later accepted positions as the Manager of Bell Service and the Manager of the K-Mart Service Center; and the Owner and Operator of Hilltop Auto Savage; and

WHEREAS, at the time of his death, Mr. Meadows diligently served as an elevator inspector for the State of Tennessee's Department of Labor; and

WHEREAS, James Meadows served with acumen and alacrity in every professional position, earning the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Meadows was an active and devout member of the Highland Heights Church of Christ, which he served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Meadows was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his parents, James Meadows, Sr. was preceded in death by his son, James Masco Meadows, Jr.; brothers, Norman, Earl, and Donal Meadows; and sisters, Nola Brown and Nellie Ragland; and

WHEREAS, James Meadows enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of forty-six years, Betty Jo Byrd Meadows, and was the proud father of Wacia (husband, Jimmy Leonard); Marsha (husband, Alex Piercey); and Robin Meadows; and

WHEREAS, James Meadows, Sr. was the loving and compassionate grandfather of Chris and Ginny Stonecipher; Kelli Stonecipher; Jimmy Eckert; Jacob Ingram; Tyler Ingram; and Kenny Piercey; and the great-grandfather of Clarissa Stonecipher; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Meadows will be deeply missed by his brothers and sisters-in-law, Garland and Virginia Meadows and V.C. and Ethel Meadows; and

WHEREAS, he will be lovingly remembered by his sisters and brothers-in-law, Grace Mahaney, Adelle and Fowler Poston, and Ellen and James Guinn; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Meadows leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Mr. James Masco Meadows, Sr., reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. James Masco Meadows, Sr.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.